THE NOVEL CONTEST.

Conundrum - Makers Everywhere Sharpening Their Wits.

Phird Day's Session in the Fascinating Compatition.

A New Idea that Seems to Be Immensely

CONDITIONS OF THE CONTEST.

THE EVENING WORLD offers a gold double eagle (820) for the best original conuntrum submitted Henry Guy Carleton, the well-known humorist will got as judge. Answers must accompany the conundrums in every instance. The contest will close at 6 P. M. Friday, March 8, being short like a good conundrum itself. On Saturday, March 9, the decision of the judge will if possible

A Local Truism. Why is the city of New York not as light as it used to be in the afternoon?

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Volunteered by a Brooklynite. Why is the yacht Volunteer like a counter course it cannot be passed.

A Very Long Span Why is the Brooklyn Bridge like life? Because 'tis but a span.

The Great National Question. How does Mrs. Harrison expect to surpass Mrs. Cleveland? By entering the White House with more "Russell and Bustle,"
PHIL DE CHURCH, 54 Reade street.

Pun on the National Air.

Why is "Yankee Doodle" like the "Forty Thieves?" Because it is a band ditty (banditti).

J. W. Thompson,

102 East Ninety-second street,

How Many Have Said It ! If a man saw his shrewish wife in a lock un what letter should be name? Letter B (let her be). O. REICHERT, 181 Waverley place.

Not a Lonf of Idleness. Why does the baker bake his bread at

night?
Because he wants a loaf the next day.
C. J. BAUK.
874 East Seventy-fourth street. But Not Readable. Why is a lady's hair like the latest news? Because in the morning it is generally found to be in papers. John R. Krech, 4 Vassar Row, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Jewellers us Flahmongers. What kind of a fish can you buy in a jewelry store?
A herring (hair ring).
7 Sheriff street.

Nent on Gov. Fernker. If the Governor of Obio should be given a Cabinet position why would it increase the area of Washington?
Because it would add a lot of Forakers (four acres) to the city.

Will Be So in This Contest. Why is the small blade of a jack knife like a prize conundrum?
It is usually the shortest and sharpest.
C. B.

A Good Riddance, Too. Why is Parnell unlike other Irishmen today?

Because he is happier since his Pig ott out.

A. R. Ramax, 46 Wayne street.

May His Reign Be Likewise. Why is the Prince of Wales, musing on his mother's government, like a rainbow?
It is the son's (sun's) reflection on a quiet reign (rain).

Anon.

Not Good Ball-Players. Why would car-drivers make bad players on the diamond?
They are apt to go out on strike.
GEO. W. JONES. 22 Henry street.

Why is President Harrison's inaugural speech like a blessing? Because it is a Benny-diction (benediction). Why is the neckwear of an eloquent New

Political, Local and Poetical.

York after-dinuer speaker like the representative of Sheriff Flack?

Because it is a Depew-tie (deputy),
Which place has the lightest men?
Ireland has men of Cork.
And Soofland men of Ayr.
But London wins by many a chalk,
For lightermen are there.
"Thistolemus," 140 Park Row,

Baseball Interests in the New York Ath-

Euchre Lore. What card in a game of euchre is never

LENTEN DAYS UPON US.

Season of Pasting to Some and of Relief to Fashion's Sinves. "Memento homo quia pulvis es et in pulverem

This is the ecclesiastical snub to the pride of man which the Church gave this morning. It inaugurates the season of penance.

To day is Ash Wednesday, so called be

cause the priests of the Church make the sign of the cross on the forch ends of the mithful of the cross on the forch eads of the aithful with ashes from the burnt palms of Palm Sunday, and pronounce the words given in Latin above. "Remember, man, that thou art dust, and unto dust thou shalt return."

Last night, Shrove Tuesday, a good deal of New York "dust" was whiring around in the swift eddies of "society," remembering to-day's ashes only as an incentive to greater gayety, as the ancients used to plant a flower-crowned akull in the midst of the banquet table as an incentive to sniotment.

greater gayety, as the ancients used to plant a flower-erowned akull in the midst of the banquet table as an meentive to enjoyment, because death would soon come. "Eat drink and be merry, for to-morrow we die," For good church people the season of Lent means forty days of fasting, prayer and denial of social excitement. But for 350 of the "400" it simply means Fortress Monroe or Atlantic City, quiet aiternoon teas, with violet trimmings, dancing classes and sewing classes. This last named diversion is a real Lenten dissipation. Under the sweet quiet of "making things" for the poor the swell girls get together, talk over the season's conquests, blackguard their pretty girl friends and dream of Easter bonnets.

Miss Leary, who is that difficult accomplishment, a devout society woman, starts right in on her sewing-class to-morrow.

Marriages are eschewed during Lent, and some eager young things took yesterday for a matrimonial launch. There were several weddings. It is "good form" to observe Lent, with the fasting omitted. Only the hardy few who are balancing themselves on the "narrow path" in a Christian tight-rope performance for heaven go without their breakfasts and are scrupulous about the vesper "collection." All the rest get a dispensation. collection." All the rest get a d.s-



Mr. Kit James (of Saugerties, on the avenue) I knowed it wuz a darned open Winter, but I didn't expect to find th' flies so thick in this 'ere

Fourteenth annual ball of the Deborah Verein o. 1. Terrace Garden. Tuesday evening.

Entertainment and reception of the Irving Literary Society, Thursday evening, March 7, at New York Macinerchor Hall. Purim Reception and Ball, Henry Clay Lodge No. 19, L. O. F. S. of L., Wednesday evening, March 13, Lexington Avenue Opera-House. Annual invitation masquerade and civic ball of the Bartholdi Pleasure Club, at Teutonia Assembly Rooms, Tuesday evening, March 12, Literary and musical entertainment of the Golden Literary Society (Alumni of the Evening High Schools), at Steinway Hall, Saturday evening, March 9.

Fancy dress and civic ball of the Thomas J. Sweeney Association, at Webster Hall, Eleventh street, between Third and Fourth avenues, Mon-day evening, March 18.

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THE SUCCESS OF VARIETY

TO FARCE-COMEDY.

Baseball Intefests in the New York Athletic Club Beawanhaka Vachtumen to Discuss Measurements and Classifica. tions-Games of the Orange Athletic Club-Cross-Country Fixtures. Manager William Harris, of Beston, who

Peter C. Kellogg & Co.'s combination sale of California trotting stock, consigned from prominent ranches in California, begins to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock at the American Institute Building, Third avenue, be-tween Sixty-third and Sixty-fourth streets, and will continue during the day and also on Friday. Among the owners of the horses are William Corbitt, C. A. Durfee, H. M. Johnston and G. Valensin, all of whom will | that it would never be tolerated. I let them be recognized by horsemen as extensive Calıfornia breeders. Over two hundred horses of all ages are to be sold at auction, and the American Horse Exchange will be unusually lively. It is appounced that the first horse sold will be Nehushta, bay filly, 1885, record 2.30, sire Stamboul, 2.14%, dam Neluska, record 2.30% at two years, by Sutton; second dam Gretchen, by Rell's Mambrine Pilot. She is owned by L. J. Rose, of Rose meade Stock Farm, Los Angeles. Then will follow the sale of a number of yearlings will follow the sale of a number of yearlings and two and three-year-olds. Among the men who will attend the sale are Frank Rockafeller, of Cleveland. William Fasig, Secretary of the Cleveland Driving Park Association, John Splan, the driver, and William Woodward, the well-known Lexington, Ky., commission man.

John Splan, the noted driver, arrived in the city yesterday from his home in Cleveland, to attend to business connected his new took, "Life with the Trotter," and witness the Kellogg combination sale of trotting stock. Mr. Splan is highly pleased with the outlook for trotting this season, and will be season the sully during the recent of seen on the sulky during the races of the

All the members of the New York Athletic Club will be given an opportunity to compete for positions on the Club's baselall ning this year. Those who desire to play have been requested to make this desire known soon, so that the uine may be made up. A billiard tournament, at the cushion carom game, for the champiouship of the Club, will be played during the present month. The second subscription boxing entertainment of the Club will be given Saturday evening.

The members of the Seawanhaka Corin-thian Yacin Club will discuss questions in re-lation to the present system of measurement and classification of yachts at their meeting to be held in the club-house, 7 East Thirty-second street, Saturday evening, and will also vote on several proposed amendments to

The games of the Orange Athletic Club, of New Jersey, which will be held on the evening of March 25, include the following open events, to be governed by the rules of the Amsteur Athletic Union: Running high jump, handicap; pole vaulting, handicap; putting sixteen-pound shot, handicap; tugof-war, 650 pounds limit; horizontal bar and fencing with foils. There will be a potato race, open only to members of the club. The prizes will be silver cups to first and silver medals to second, excepting the tug-of-war, medals to second. excepting the tug-of-war, in which event prizes will be given to the winning team only. Entrance see is 50 cents. Entries will close with L. C. Fairchild, Chairman of the Athletic Committee, on March 16. Walter G. Hegeman is the handicapper.

The fixtures of the National Cross-Country Association announce a moonlight run from the club-house of the New Jersey Athletic Club at Bergen Point, March 30, and an open cross-country handicap run of the Suburban Harriers from the Atlantic Hotel, Fort George, on April 13.

A meeting of the National Association of Amateur Athletes of America will be held this evening at the Windsor Hotel.

Harry Webb, the sporting man who managed the sparring tours of Mitchell, Goss, Dick Taylor and others, expects to sail for England April 20 with Mike Cleary, the middle-weight pugilist, to give exhibitions of sparring. Webb says be may match Cleary to fight an English middle-weight while abroad.

Jack Farrell, the light-weight pugilist, will be tendered a benefit in Parepa Hall, Eighty-sixth street and Third avenue, March 20. Cal McCarthy and Mike Cushing are adver-tised to appear in set-tos during the evening.

Miss Dora Wiley has reached San Francisco

Mike Breslin, the boxer, is anxious to meet any 124-pound man in a finish fight with skin gloves for a purse,

Headleng from the Fourth Story. While working on a new building at 1707 Second avenue this morning William Henderson, twenty-eight years old, of 300 Wost Fifty-sec-ond street, fell headlong from the fourth story to the ground and received a fractured skull. He was removed to the Presbyterian Hospital.

MANAGER HARRIS SAYS IT MEANS DEATH

A Theatrical Revolution Threatened by This Man from Heston-Mrs. Potter's Trinmph in the City of Culture-The Beauty of Mr. Kelcev's Coming Role-"A Midnigh Bell" Is Running at the Bijou.

reached the city yesterday, is afflicted with the "specialty" mania, but he is as barmless as he is interesting, "The success of my company," he said, alluding to the Howard Atheneum organization, "means a little revolution in the theatrical world. When I started in to put this variety show into firstclass houses people laughed. They thought laugh. Those laugh longest who laugh last. It is my turn now. My comfollows the Gaiety people at pany Standard and remains there for six weeks. The success of variety means a death-blow to farce-comedy and horse play. People can get their variety without a flimsy dramatic veil thrown over it, and it is the substance they want-not the alleged dramatic vell. The coming six weeks' engagement at the Standard is rather unprecedented. I am here in New York to see it well under way. We are going to introduce Prof. Leamon and Mile. Marie in 'Astarte,' add we claim that our 'flying' business will make a sensation. My representative is getting ready to go abroad, and I can promise you that the Howard Athenseum will absorb the best European specialty features in the market. We are now negotiating in this city for a stay through the reason." I. B. Rich. Manager Harris's accomplice, is expected in New York to-day.

Otis Skinner, of Daly's Theatre, has, it is said positively decided to leave that company May 1. He has been connected with the organization since he left Lawrence Barrett three years ago. Mr. Da'y's attention was called to Skinner after his excellent performance in "Francesca da Rimini" at the Star Theatre. Skinner has not had much of a "show" at Daly's during the past year. Joseph Holland, it is said, is also to retire May 1.

Mrs. Potter's success in Boston in " Antony Mrs. Potter's success in Boston in "Antony and Cleopatra" is reported as being unquestionable. She is now playing her second week in that city. She plays in Philadelphia during the weeks beginning April 1 and Avril 8. In older to secure those "dates," Messrs. Nixon and Zimmerman were compelled to place Rice's "Corsair" elsewhere on a

Miss Hattie Schell says she likes being mar-ried immensely. Her husband, however, will not let her return to the stage.

Little Elsie Leslie, who, "by permission of Messrs. French and Sanger" is to appear at the benefit tendered to J. Charles Davis, will in all probability play "Editha's Burglar." The child wants to appear in connection with "Held by the Enemy." the last act of which will be given. Little Elsie has been anxious to play Susau since she saw the play at the Star Theatre. Her "Auntie, I'm going to marry Mr. Bean" would undoubtedly be cute.

Kit Clarke's book, "Where the Trout Hide," is to be issued to-morrow. There are many managerial disciples of old Izask Wal-ton, and even those whose souls do not vern for trout may be interested in Kit Clarke.

McKee Bankin is negotiating for a few weeks at the Union Square Theatre. He wants to put on "The Runaway Wife" at

Little Mattie Yore has been engaged to play the part of Sir Arthur May in "Rosedale." which goes out under the management of H. C. Husted. The production is to be an extensive one, and seventy-eight of the costumes orig nally used in the Wallack representation have been secured. Little Mattie's season up to the present has not been a lucky one. She was associated with "The Arabian Nights" and "Among the Pines" in trouolous times.

Miss Grace Henderson makes her first appearance this season in connection with the Lyceum stock company in Sardou's play, which will succeed "Sweet Lavender." Nelson Wheatcroft, of "The Wife," will also

Miss Dora Wiley has reached San Francisco from Australia, and is expected in New York shortly. She is to join her husband, "Dick" Golden, in his coming pastoral venture.

The members of the Haverly-Cleveland minstrel company have many good stories to tell of their journey over the Southern Pacific Railroad. They visited many towns that had never before been favored with any travelling attractio: a. In one Arizons town the local manager dispenses with chart and box-office

and cerried the tickets in his cost pocket, dis-posing of them wherever buyers chapsed to find him. In another place the theatre was so small that the company "corked up" at the hotel and went along the street in their stage costume.

Mr. Newton Beers maps out his east for Mr. Newton Beers maps out his cast for "Euceh Arden" rather amusingly. He says that the role of Enoch Arden will be assumed by Newton Beers, Phillip Ray by "a recog-nized first-class actor." Annie Lee by "a recognized first-class actress," and all the others by "recognized first-class ritiets." So in the production there will be Mr. Beers, one actor, one actress and eight artists.

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Fred Maeder's military play, "The Skirmish Line." is to be produced at the Academy of Music, Philadelphia, April 15. Members of the G. A. R. are to turn out 250 strong. The play will come to New York inter. Let us hope that we shall not be informed that Philadelphis liked is.

Because it had been set in four sets, instead of three, Mr. Charles H. Hoyt insisted that "A Midnight Bell" was a legitimate comedy and not a farce. He also surprised his friends with the announcement that is sides the extra set, the production had a plot. Hence it was with a natural degree of curicity that the audience awaited the rise of the curtain, at the Bijon last night. The four arts were duly and smoothly performed, the plot fully developed, the curiosity completely satisfied. Mr. Hoyt had given merely another of those funny affairs which have made him popular and successful. He had not strained himself over that plot and that extra act. He had used the old elements of love, rivalry and a bank robbery. He had ma e "A Midnight Be'l" ring with mirth and music of the lightest order, and had arranged that everything should take place amid attoactive stage settings. The audience laughed and cheered all the way through the place. Mr. Hoyt had to come out at the close of the second act to receive a big floral bell and a laurel wreath, and to gracefully refrain from making a syech. The company entered very heartily into the spirit of the play, as companies are apt to do in Mr. Hoyt's productions. In closing, it may be said that the derivation of the reverbatory title remains a matter of specu ation until the last act, when the unexpected tones of an old church bell scare the bank-robbing, smooth-tongued villain of the play into the heart disease and exposure necessary to the complete happiness of his good and falsely accused rival.

Shot Dend by His Dog

| From the Ransas City Times. | Isom Dennis, living fourtee, miles west of bebanon. Mo., was accidentally shot and killed vesterday afternoon while out hunting by his dog jumping against the gun hammer.

Spring Pancies.

[From the Boston Courier.]

The Young Man,
In the Spring the youth his person in the latest
fashion decks.
And begins to east admiring glances on the other And begins a nameless yearning, something that he cannot trace,
Comes upon him when he meets a maiden with a pretty face;
And the fluttering of a ribbon or the perfume of

a glove.

Thrills his pulses, and his "fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love." The Young Women.

In the figring the maiden doffs the glossy seal-skin sacque she wore.

Which enables her to don a bigger bustle than

before,
Then she puts on lighter garments, snowy leves,
ribbons gay.
And a gorgeous hat the climax caps of her new
Spring array.
All the secrets of the toilet uses with a woman's
skill. For her heart, too, is responsise to the season's magic thrill.

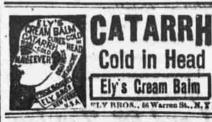
Both. Soon some strange mysterious process brings together youth and maid;
There are meetings in the monlight, there are whisperings in the shade,
Wanderings in secluded places, often till the hour is late,
Loving glances, sweet confessions, stolen kisses at the gate.
Petty quarrels, over nothing, that with misery

Petty quarrels, over nothing, that with misery fill life's cup. Pride's surrender, explanations and delicious Pride's surrender, explanations and delicious makings up, grass is springing and the opening bude appear.

When the birds are gayly singing, and the skies are blue and clear.

Thus its course in Spring love runneth, culminating in the May.

With parental blessings and the naming of the wedding day.



hour of 8 o'clock in the morning. Robur first time it had been connected with the earth

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FAID PARHA.

Increased Orobostra.

Augmented Observa. Joseph Murphy and Charles Peck, two of the men who burgiarized Florist Tier's house in Central Mount Vernon two weeks ago, pleaded guilty yesterday. Murphy got ten years and Peck was remanded. Pa-cai T. Barquet, the bookseller, who was falsely accused of the crime, is suing Mr. Tier for false imprisonment.

Harlem Democratic Club Meeting The Harlem Democratic Club will meet at its ub-house in East One Hundred and Twenty fth street this evening at 8 o'clock.

Answers to Correspondent J. K.-We think you have chosen wisely. Constant Reader. - Teachers in the public schools are forbidden to inflict corporal punish

nent on the pupils.

Dr. Paul G.—New York State has never cast
more than thirty-six votes in the electoral col-B.—Backgammon is the game you describe

frishman.—You cannot become a naturalized citizen until two years after you have made your declaration of intentions. Rutherford. -- You cannot vote unless you have personally registered.

Constant Reader.—The holder of the chattel mortgage can selze the goods forthwith if you do not pay. do not pay.

Faithful Reader.—You have made a written agreement to pay the money and give no good legal reason why you should not be held to it. We think the landlord could successfully bring suit. Of course if you have no money or goods you cannot be made to pay.

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Uncle Prudent and Phil Evans, who had

and bright. The result of the observation, made with the utmost exactitude, was:

Longitude-176 degrees 17 minutes, west. Latitude-48 degrees 37 minutes, south.



ROBUR TOOK A SOLAR OBSERVATION.

Reference to the chart gave this position to course, and, had not the propellers broken.

Chattam Island and the Viff Islet, which the delay would have been but trifling. But Tawai-Pomanow, the meridianal island of contrary winds. New Zealand, situated in the southern part of the Pacific Ocean.

"We are nearer than I supposed," said the anchor rope. Robur to George Kerns.

We are then -" "Forty-six degrees, or twenty-eight hundred miles south of Island X."

The crew, seeing that there was no time to lose, setrapidly to work to get the "Alba-

the island.

tross" ready for the flight. (To be Continued To-Morrow.)

THE CONQUEST OF THE AIR.

A Record of the Wonderful Cruise of the was passed, and then the "Albatross" passed "Albatross."

By JULES VERNE,

Author of "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea," "A Trip to the Moon," "Around the World in Eighty Days," &c.

A PERSONALLY AUTHORIZED PUBLICATION. PARIS, Feb. 8, 1889.—I have just obtained vertiten authority from Jules Verne and his publisher for the publication of "The Conquest of the Air" in THE EVENING WORLD. This Extraordinary story should rank as Verne's masterpiece.

PARIS CORRESPONDENT EVENING WORLD.

Profusely Illustrated by "Evening World" Artists.

The "Albatross," a wonderful flying machine, is making an extended journey through the sir, naving on board as preconers. Uncle Prudent, President of the Weldon Clinb, of Philadelphia; Phil Evans, the Secretary, and Friedlin, Frudent's ruler, who have been explured by Robur, the inventor and commander of the sir-ship, Robur had naving some some sold of proving the correctness of his arguments. As the air-ship does no arise lawingston, and takes the model of proving the correctness of his arguments. As the air-ship does no arise lawingston, and takes the application of the correctness of his arguments. As the air-ship does no arise having a contract the site of the state of

CHAPTER XXI.

WHEREIN THE ALBATROSS ESCAPES THE VOLCANGES AND MAKES FOR ISLAND X. THE HEADQUAR

of the volcanoes—Erebus—already seemed to loom up before the air-ship, which the current of air was bearing swiftly on. Sheets of flame leaped up from the crater, and a curtain of fire barred their same also make dwintout a gesture, waiting for the terrible moment when they would be enveloped in the flavy furnace.

But the storm that carried the "Albatross" slong also saved them from that frightful of fire barred their same of Erebus were

It was an hour of fear and suspense. One | like demons, standing like statues, without a

of fire barred their way. The deck of the catastrophe. The flames of Erebus were air ship was brightly illuminated with the beaten down by the tempest, and the "Alba-

was fortunately repulsed by the centrifugal force of the suspensive screens, which after leaving the Pole began to work. An hour after, two colossal torches in the horizon behind the air-ship lit up the long polar night. At two o'clock in the morning, Ballery Isle out of the Antarctic circle, cutting the one

hundred and sixty-fifth meridian. The storm was still carrying the air-ship along, threatening a hundred times to dash it to pieces against the numerous icebergs floating on the ocean. The "Albatross" was no

THE VOLCANO'S TORCH LIGHTED UP THE LONG POLAR NIGHT.

longer in the handsof the steersman, but in the hands of Gcd-and God is a good pilot. At last crossing the sixtieth parallel, the storm gave signs of abating, and as it decreased in violence the "Albatross" commenced to become master of itself. Then, as it regained the higher altitudes of the

and his machine, after parrowly escaping a since its departure from Philadelphia. cyclone while rounding Cape Horn, were at last freed from the storm. They had darted through the Pacific Ocean

from a point near Cape Horn to the South Pole, clearing the distance of twenty-one hundred miles in nineteen hours. Robur was now ignorant of his whereabouts, as the ism which had affected it at the South Pole. It became necessary to rely on observations of the sun, but during the entire day the skies were darkened with huge clouds and the sun did not appear.

This was a disappointment which was increased by the fact that the two propelling screws had been damaged during the storm. The speed of the air-ship was necessarily diminished, and it was moving slowly, about eighteen or twenty miles an hour. It was necessary to guard against further damage. for if the two propellers were to become entirely disabled, the air-ship above the vant Pacific would be placed in a most dangerous situation. Robur resolved to descend in some

secluded spot and repair the damage. The next morning, July 27th, at seven o'clock, land was sighted in the north. They could see that the land was an island, but which of the thousand isles that dot the Pa- emptied into the little bay. cific it was they could not tell. Nevertheless. Robur decided to stop there; one day would suffice to repair the damage, and they could depart the next.

The wind had calmed and was favorable for the operation of descending over the meland. If there had been a strong gale blowing, the 'Albatross' might have wasted a week in long attached to an anchor was dropped over | motion. the side. When the air-ship reached the side of the island the anchor trailed through the breakers and finally fixed itself firmly between two rocks. The cable stretched tant for an instant under the strain of the sus-pensive acrews, and the "Albatross" floated vivid glare, and the forms of the grew looked | gross" passed over a shower of lava which | earth, day began to appear at the civilized | in the air like a ship at anchor. It was the pense with that one easier than the other.

Even when the " Albatross " was yet high

in the air the passengers could see that the island was but of mediocre size. But what parallel cut it; on what meridian was it situated? Was it an island of the Pacific. Australasian or Indian Ocean? Although the compass was not to be depended on, yet compass was still charged with the magnet- the general observations indicated that it was the Pacific. As soon as the sun appeared from behind the clouds the matter would be definitely settled. From their height, five hundred feet, the island, measuring about fifteen miles in circumference, was of tri

angular shape. At the southeastern extremity there was situated close to the shore a small isle, evidently the continuation of a chain of rocks which extended to the water's edge of the larger island.

At the northwest a conical mountain raised itself to a height estimated by the passengers at fourteen hundred feet. There were no signs of any inhabitants on the island, and if the place was inhabited the nativer had probably taken flight at the approach of the airship. The anchor of the "Albatross" had caught in the rocks of the southeastern end of the island, not far from where a stream

While waiting to take his observations the inventor was preparing everything for the day's work. The suspensive screws were found to be in perfect condition, baving worked admirably during the storm. But the two propellers had been damaged more seriously than Robur had imagined. It was necessary to unscrew the branches and repair seeking to alight. A rope five hundred feet the machinery which imparted the rotary

> The auterior propeller was now being repaired by the crew under the direction of Robur and George Kerns. This particular propeller was started upon first, for in cree the "Albatross" should be obliged to leave before the work was finished, they could dis-

been promenading the deck, talking in an undertone, were now scated at the stern. Frycellin was considerably reassured at finding himself only five-hundred feet from the earth, and seemed in excellent spirits. The work was only suspended for an in

running low it is necessary that we reach Island X as soon as poss ble." "Yes, George. I hope to start during the stant to take the sun, which now shone clear | night, using our single propeller and repair ing the other on our way there." "But these two gentlemen and their ser-

form the group known as the Broughton now to regain Island X. The distance was lalands. The group is fifteen degrees east of great, and they would probably have to fight

When night came on, preparations would

be completed and everything ready to cast off

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vant?" inquired George Kerns.

was this mysterious place?

have met with many contrary winds during

our trip, and as our stock of provisions

"They will be happy to become colonists

of Island X," replied Robour. But where

An unknown island lying between the Equator and the Tropic of Cancer, an island

which well merited the algebraic name which

Robur had bestowed upon it. There Robur

had founded his little colony; there the "Al-

batross" came to repose when fatigued

with long flights; there it came to pro-vision for long aerial voyages. On that Island X Robur, taking advantage of the

natural resources, had established his work-

yard and constructed his air-ship. He could

here build and repair. His magazines held

materials, tools, supplies of every descrip-

tion, accumulated and operated by a few

scores of inhabitants, the sole population of

When Robur had doubled Cape Horn some

days previous his intention was to reach the

island by cutting obliquely across the Pacific,

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